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- 11. (SBU) On June 11, A/DCM and TDY ECONOFF met with MFA Director for International Organizations Yacub al-Hosani to follow up on the invitation to the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism Meeting in Madrid, Spain, June 16-18. The formal invitation was provided by Spain, but Post had stressed the importance of the event on a number of previous occasions. Post again strongly encouraged UAE participation. Al-Hosani stated that the UAEG is working on securing attendance by the UAE Ministry of Interior, but had no formal commitment yet. In addition, we spoke with the Russian Ambassador and DCM, who are also encouraging the UAE attendance at this meeting. They had received no commitment from the UAEG either.
- 12. (SBU) Al-Hosani indicated he understood the importance of UAE attendance, but stated that the UAE will likely not have time to prepare a presentation. Per reftel, Post noted that, at a minimum, the UAE Embassy in Spain would be welcome to participate. Post will continue to follow up on this matter. (NOTE: According to the MFA, the UAE just received the formal invitation from Spain this past week. END NOTE).